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### Wisconsin's Forestry Best Management Practices Advisory Committee Antitrust Statement

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The conduct of this assembly is not intended to abridge any federal or state antitrust laws. However, the operation of this assembly requires that representatives of member organizations meet together, and since these member organizations in the normal course of their business may be competitors, it is deemed advisable to set forth this policy with regard to Antitrust Compliance.

The uncompromising policy of this assembly is:

**STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE SPIRIT AND THE LETTER OF THE ANTITRUST LAWS.**

In furtherance of this policy, the following rules are adopted to provide those assembled today with precepts to guide them in their conduct.

#### **NO ACTIVITY OR COMMUNICATION SHALL:**

1. be used for the purpose of bringing about or attempting to bring about any understanding, arrangement, or agreement, written or oral, formal or informal, express or implied, directly or indirectly, among competitors with regard to (a) prices, terms or conditions of sales, distribution, volume, production, territories or customers, or (b) prices or purchases of any materials, equipment, services of supplies, or suppliers.
2. include discussion, directly or indirectly, for any purpose or any fashion regarding (a) sale prices or pricing methods, production quotas or other limitation on either the timing or volume of production or sales or allocation of products, territories or customers, or (b) purchase prices or pricing methods, purchasing quotas or other limitations on either the timing or volume of purchases or allocation of purchases of materials, equipment, services or supplies or allocations of territories or suppliers.
3. include any discussion which might be construed as an attempt to prevent any person or business entity (a) from gaining access to any market or customer for goods or services, or (b) from obtaining a supply of goods or otherwise purchasing goods or services freely in the market.
4. make any effort to bring about the standardization of any product for the purpose of or have the effect of preventing the manufacture, sale or purchase of any product not conforming to a specified standard.

In all discussions, formal or informal, all assembled are expected to observe and conduct themselves in accordance with these rules and in compliance with all antitrust laws and regulations, both federal and state.

Persons invited to participate in or giving presentations shall be advised of the need to comply with these rules and applicable laws and regulations

It is the responsibility of all assembled to comply with the letter and spirit of these rules, and with all applicable state and federal antitrust laws.